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Education

Carnegie Mellon University

Pittsburgh, PA, USA

B.S. IN COMPUTER SCIENCE, CONCENTRATION IN ALGORITHMS & COMPLEXITY WITH UNIVERSITY HONORS

Aug 2018 - May 2022

- Cumulative GPA **3.55**, School of Computer Science Dean's List, High Honors F19, F20, F21.

- Selected courses:

10-701 Machine Learning (PhD)

15-356 Cryptography

21-241 Linear Algebra

15-410 Operating Systems

15-210 Parallel Data Structures & Algos

21-259 Calculus 3D

15-411 Compiler Design (C++)

15-213 Introduction to Computer Systems

21-301 Combinatorics

15-440 Distributed Systems (Java)

15-251 Great Ideas in Theoretical CS

21-373 Abstract Algebra

15-451 Algorithm Design & Analysis

15-259 Probability & Computing

80-413 Category Theory

15-459 Quantum Computation

15-260 Statistics & Computing

Extracurriculars & Projects

Pebbles Kernel

- Created x86 kernel from scratch which supports essential syscalls such as fork/exec/wait, pre-emptive multitasking and keyboard, timer, console interface hardware drivers.
- Code available at github.com/nicklausyc/small-kernel

15-251 Great Ideas in Theoretical CS Course Tutor

- Conducted one-on-one tutoring sessions for students in the class

Work Experience

Google SOFTWARE ENGINEER FULL-TIME SunnyVale, CA, USA

Aug 29, 2022 - Present

- Develop algorithms to model, monitor and improve computer networks at Google

NetApp SOFTWARE ENGINEER INTERN SunnyVale, CA, USA

May 24, 2021 - Aug 20, 2021

- 3x speedup for OS compile-update-reboot time for ONTAP virtual machines
- Automated ONTAP cloud cluster setup configuration for dynamic load testing
- 2.7x speedup for WAFL scheduler client I/O latency with minimal slowdown (0.8x) to WAFL scheduler replication operations latency
- Further optimized 3.5x speedup for client I/O and 1.2x speedup for replication operations with online random forest server load prediction

ZODAJ FULL STACK SOFTWARE ENGINEER INTERN Pittsburgh, PA, USA

May 18, 2020 - Aug 7, 2020

- Devised SMS and Android COVID-19 contact tracing for Senegal in partnership with Senegalese health authorities
- Designed NoSQL, PostgreSQL databases along with AWS Lambda RESTful API for TCN protocol contact tracing
- Directed and implemented all permissions and roles within ZODAJ for Amazon AWS databases
- Created exposure overlap algorithm for n people in a store that runs in $\max(O(k) \text{ or } O(n \log n))$, where k is overlap count
- Wrote graph algorithms, discrete-time Markov chain SIR epidemic modeling for tracking infections

BOSCH ASEAN LINUX SYSTEMS ENGINEER INTERN (DEVOPS) Singapore

May 21, 2019 - Aug 19, 2019

- Enabled Jenkins server to run 2 ISO builds in parallel (1 executor, 2 slaves) for testing via dynamic port allocation
- Identified bottleneck in debugging failed builds and significantly reduced debug time via auto log extraction from QEMU disks on build servers
- Modified Jenkins pipeline to reduce deployment testing from 20 mins to 1 min
- Began migration of current inventory servers to new OCS inventory servers via Ansible for seamless configuration
- Authored Linux Debian package for unit tests automation (security/functionality) on new OS installations

Eyeota Pte Ltd DATA ANALYTICS INTERN Singapore

Dec 13, 2017 - May 10, 2018

- Programmed data cleaning and classification of advertiser and buyer data from programmatic buy-side platforms
- Extracted advertisers' target demographic trends via both web-scraping and buyers' purchasing data
- Streamlined updates of daily, weekly, and monthly audience data sales revenue via complete process automation

Technical Proficiencies

Tools & Frameworks

- C | C++ | Bash | Python | Java | Kotlin | SML | HTML | CSS | JavaScript
- Ansible** server configuration, OS startup configuration
- AWS** Lambda, EC2, S3, RDS, DynamoDB, IAM, Neptune
- Docker** containerized OS build testing, app testing
- Jenkins** continuous feature/pipeline testing and deployment

Terraform TCN protocol backend configuration/deployment
Front-end .ISO download UI, log reporting, Android
Back-end build pipeline optimization, DB integration
Agile tri-weekly Sprint, daily SCRUM